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SUBJ: PROPOSAL TO SEND GUINEA-BISSAU DELEGATION

TO WASHINGTON

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1. DAKAR DAILY LE SOLEIL CARRIES FURTHER COMMENTS OF SILVINO DA LUZ, ONE OF PAIGC'S REPRESENTATIVES ON CAPE VERDE ISLANDS, IN JANUARY 21 EDITON. DA LUZ SAID THAT ONE PAIGC DELEGATION VISITING EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING HOLLAND, NORWAY, AND WEST GERMANY, AND ANOTHER VISITING UNITED STATES. DELEGATIONS WILL INFORM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THESE COUNTRIES OF DIRE ECONOMIC STRAITS OF PEOPLE OF

CAPE VERDES AND OF THEIR NEED FOR EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE.

- 2. MISSION TO UNITED STATES WILL ALSO "HAVE DISCUSSIONS WITH UNITED NATIONS TO OBTAIN IMMEDIATE AID AND, IN ADDITION, MAKE CONTACT WITH THE CAPE VERDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE UNITED STATES TO GET IT TO ASSIST THE CAPE VERDES OR TO DEPOSIT ITS MONEY IN EXISTING CAPE VERDES BANKS". DA LUZ NOTED THAT CAPE VERDIAN COMMUNITY IN US IS LARGER THAN IN CAPE VERDES.
- 3. DA LUZ AFFIRMED THAT PEOPLE WOULD SOON DIE OF HUNGER IN CAPE VERDES IF AID NOT URGENTLY FORTHCOMING. FOODSTOCKS, HE MAINTAINED, WERE NEARLY EXHAUSTED; WORKERS HAVE BEEN FOUR TO SIX WEEKS WITHOUT PAY. HE ADDED THAT EXPECTED AID FROM THE UNITED NATIONS WOULD ONLY AMOUNT TO TWO MILLION DOLLARS FOR PURCHASE OF ESSENTIAL PRODUCTS AND THAT AID WOULD NOT BE RECEIVED FOR FOUR MONTHS BY WHICH TIME SOME CAPE VERDIANS WOULD HAVE DIED OF HUNGER. PAIGC HAD ASKED PORTUGAL, THE SOVEREIGN POWER IN ISLANDS, TO ASSUME ITS RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARDS POPULATION BUT WAS ALSO SENDING DELEGATIONS TO "ENTIRE WORLD".
- 4. SEEMS LIKELY THAT DELEGATION REFERRED TO BY DA LUZ
  MAY BE SAME AS GOGB AMBASSADOR DORREIA HAS ASKED USG TO
  RECEIVE. THIS WOULD SUGGEST THAT PAIGC'S CONCERNS ABOUT THE
  FUTURE OF CAPE VERDES ARE MORE ECONOMIC THAN POLITICAL AND THAT
  MAIN PURPOSE THEIR TRIP TO US WOULD BE TO CHECK OUT PRESENT OR
  FUTURE SOURCES OF AID. IF ECONOMIC CONDITIONS ARE AS BAD AS DA
  LUZ SAYS, GOGB SENSE OF URGENCY WOULD ALSO BE
  UNDERSTANDABLE.
  AGGREY

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